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Dear Ms. Dortch:

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RE: MB Docket No. 02-277 (Biennial Review of Broadcast Ownership Rules)

MM Docket No. 01-235 (Broadcast/Newspaper Crossownership)

MM Docket No. 01-317 (Local Radio Ownership)

MM Docket No. 00-240 (Definition of Radio Markets)

Pursuant to 47 CFR §1.1206, this will disclose that in connection with these permit-but-disclose proceedings, the Minority Media and Telecommunications Council ("MMTC") held these meetings:

- 1. January 21, 2003, 4:15 PM, in the Media Bureau, with Kenneth Ferree, Bureau Chief, and staff members Mania Baghdadi, Paul Gallant, Roger Holberg, Jamila Bess Johnson, and Robert Ratcliffe.
- 2. January 28, 2003, 1:00 PM, with Commissioner Jonathan Adelstein and his Legal Advisor, Sarah Whitesell.
- 3. January 28, 2003, 2:00 PM, with Susan Eid, Legal Advisor to the Chairman.
- 4. January 2, 2003, 3:30 PM, with Jane Mago, General Counsel, and Michele Ellison, Deputy General Counsel.

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I attended all of the meetings. Eduardo Peña, Esq., communications counsel for the League of United Latin American Citizens (LULAC), also attended the meeting with Commissioner Adelstein. At these meetings, we provided copies of the "Supplemental Comments of Diversity and Competition Supporters," filed January 27, 2003.

At each of these meetings, we underscored the importance of addressing minority ownership in the proceeding. To build a full record on this issue, we urged the Commission to convene a public hearing on minority ownership to mark the occasion of the 25th anniversary of the <u>Statement of Policy on Minority Ownership of Broadcast Facilities</u>, 68 FCC2d 979 (releasedMay 25, 1978). We also explained the "Staged Implementation Plan", full details of which are found in the "Initial Comments of Diversity and Competition Supporters" ("Initial Comments") filed January 2, 2003, pp. 82-101.

In the meetings with Mr. Ferree, Commissioner Adelstein, and Ms. Mago, we also explained the "equal transactional opportunity" policy described on pp. 115-120 of the Initial Comments and the FM allotments plan described on pp. 128-141 of the Initial Comments.

An original and two copies of this letter are being filed with the Secretary.

Sincerely,

David Honig

Executive Director

## Attachments

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